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This Warden Message alerts U.S. citizens to the latest information regarding human cases of H1N1 Influenza A, formerly known as swine flu. No cases have been reported in Malaysia as of April 30. Malaysian authorities have begun requiring passengers from all incoming international flights to complete a health questionnaire about recent travel to affected areas and symptoms they may be experiencing. For passengers arriving from Latin American countries, airport health authorities are conducting individual body temperature checks. The Malaysian Ministry of Health has also issued a decree requiring health practitioners to report to the local district health office cases of influenza-like illness or severe pneumonia for patients who have visited “affected” countries after April 17.

The Ministry of Health is responsible for coordinating the country's response to threats like influenza; its website can be accessed at <http://www.moh.gov.my/MohPortal/index.jsp?lang=en>.

For further information on H1N1 in Malaysia or to report cases of influenza-like illness (ILI) to the Malaysian Ministry of Health (MOH), you may call the MOH Operations Center at:

(03) 8881-0200 or (03) 8881-0300
Operational Hours: 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

For further information about H1N1 flu, including steps you can take to stay healthy, please consult the Department of State information at http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/pa/pa_pandemic.html, the United States Centers for Disease Control website at <http://www.cdc.gov/swineflu>, and the World Health Organization website at <http://www.who.int/csr/disease/swineflu/en/index.html>. For additional travel safety information, please consult the State Department's website at www.travel.state.gov.

U.S. citizens may also call the Office of Overseas Citizens Services in the United States for the latest travel information. The Office of Overseas Citizens Services can be reached from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time, Monday through Friday, by calling 1-888-407-4747 from within the U.S. and Canada, or by calling (202) 501-4444 from other countries.

Americans living or traveling in Malaysia are encouraged to register with the U.S. Embassy through the State Department's travel registration website, <https://travelregistration.state.gov/ibrs/ui/> so that they can obtain updated information on travel and security within Malaysia. Americans without Internet access may register directly with the Embassy. By registering, American citizens make it easier for the Embassy to contact them in case of emergency. The U.S. Embassy is located at 376 Jalan Tun Razak, 50400 Kuala Lumpur and can be contacted at:

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